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Senior Society Taps Five At Class, Charter Day

Pentagon, the Senior Class Honorary Society, tapped Art Melius, John Driscoll, Steve Hoffman, Dave McMillan and Hal Bruck at Class and Charter Day ceremonies Wednesday in the Chapel.

Graduating members of Pentagon are Carl Hansen, Dave Tittle, Al McGann, Earle Schemerhorn and Paul McGiffin.

Melius, ELS president, is president of the Student Senate, member of the SCA, sings in the Choir, plays baseball, and was recently re-elected to the Honor Court. A past member of Was Los and DT, he is listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges."

Driscoll will be senior class president next year, his second term in that office. He is captain of the basketball squad, plays lacrosse, is president of Psi Upsilon, and was a member of Was Los and DT.

Hoffman is the editor of the Spectator, a former member of the Choir and Chapel Board. A Chi Psi, he is former director of the SCA movie program.

McMillan, a Teke, was associate editor of the Spectator this year and will hold the same position next year. McMillan is also treasurer of the Chapel Board and president of the SCA. He was also in DT.

Bruck is captain of next year's football squad and track team. He will head the Honor Court next year and is a member of the Athletic Council. President of DKE and a past member of Was Los and DT, Bruck is listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges."

Seniors To Vie In 98th Contest For Clark Prize

Hurd Baruch, Burton Benjamin, Martin Nadel, Peter O'Hara, Lawrence Savett and Gary Tischler will compete in the Clark Prize Oratorical Contest this year. The 98th renewal of the contest will be at 2:15 p.m. Saturday, June 8, in the Chapel.

Alumni who have competed for the Clark Prize will judge this year's contest and will announce the winner at the end of the contest. The winning senior will receive his prize during the commencement ceremonies the next day.

This year's speakers have not announced their topics. No restrictions are placed on the speech topics, but original thought is stressed. All speakers must write their orations in manuscript form for filing in the Library; they may deliver them in any form.

Aaron Clark, then mayor of New York City, donated $1,000 in 1885 to provide a prize for the winner of a contest among the best speakers of the senior class. Henry A. Clark, '38, no relation to the original donor, later augmented the fund.

The contest has been an annual event except for brief lapses during the war years.

SCA Schedules Guinness Comedy For Exam Week

The SCA movie will end its campus film program series next weekend with free admission showings Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of the J. Arthur Rank comedy "Kind Hearts and Coronets."

The film stars Alec Guinness and Joan Greenwood in a fictional story about the tenth Duke of Chalfont and his attempt to murder eight people to gain the title.

With the comedy the SCA will also show a technicolor cartoon totled "Bungled Bungalow." The film features the nearsighted Mr. Magoo, a cartoon character made famous by the UPA film organization.

A straw poll taken by the SCA at its last showing will help determine the choices for the group's 14-film movie schedule for next year. Next year's movie program director will be Tony Alcaro.

Kittell Chosen

Was Los elected Don Kittell chairman for next year at a meeting Sunday evening. Dan Murdock was elected treasurer of the honorary society.

Bartlett To Head Social Committee; Two Frosh Named

Bruce Bartlett has been appointed chairman of the Social Committee for next year, Committee Chairman Dave Tittle said Monday.

Jim Cornell and John Andrews have been appointed to the committee from the class of 1960, while Milt Harkrader, Don Kittell and Rod Lankler will serve on the committee for another year.

All the appointments were approved by the Student Senate at their Monday meeting.

Sophomores Take Sing; Juniors Win Class Competition

Prof. Thomas Johnston presented the Paul A. Fancher Interclass Sing Trophy to the Class of 1959 Wednesday, following the sing. The Class of 1958 received the interclass competition trophy from President Robert McEwen.

In announcing the winner of the sing trophy, Johnston deplored the lack of participation by all classes in the interclass competition. Only about 10 freshmen and 15 sophomores took part in the sing competition, he said.

The sophomores, directed by Tim Scholl, sang "Aura Lee" and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" from the library entrance.

In overall class competition, the juniors won with 19 points. They received 14 points by winning first place in basketball and second in tennis, golf and softball.

The senior class was runner-up with 18 points. They compiled 15 points in interclass athletic contests with firsts in tennis, golf and softball.

Points for the sophomore class could not be computed because several of their scheduled events were rained out, Art Melius, Class Day chairman, said. Freshman participation, Melius said, was negligible.

All four classes sang "Carissima," the juniors singing it in Latin. Johnston praised the "Russian translation."

Johnston was assisted in the judging by Profs. John Baldwin and Sidney Wertimer.

Bio Club Elects Purple President At Last Meeting

The Biology club held its final meeting of the year at the home of Prof. Philip V. Rogers on Thursday, May 16. Elections were held at the business session, followed by a lecture by Dr. H. Evans of Syracuse University on "Cortisone and the Chick." Approximately 60 members attended.

Rick Purple was elected president for next year and Phil Mead was elected secretary-treasurer. Dr. Walter Hess addressed the club briefly concerning New York State scholarship competition and recent changes in the program.

Evans, an embryologist at Syracuse University, spoke to the club about the influence on the growth of chick embryos of hormones produced in the adrenal cortex. His report was largely a statistical summary of the results of experiments carried out under his direction which illustrated growth inhibiting effects of selected cortical hormones.

Evans said that the results of experiments involving a tracer element, radioactive carbone 14, compounded into the hormones suggested new ways the researcher may solve the remaining mysteries of development in the embryo.

Director John L. Baldwin Jr. leads the Choir in its first recording session Monday afternoon. The new 12-inch LP record will be available next fall.

McEwen Awards Scholarship, Essay And Achievement Prizes in Chapel

President Robert W. McEwen awarded prize scholarships and achievement and essay prizes at Wednesday morning's Class and Charter Day assembly.

Dave Eaker was awarded the Root Fellowship in Science. Established in 1894 by Elihu Root, it provides $1200 for a single year of graduate study at an American or European university.

The Duell German Scholarship was awarded to Bob Miller "for excellence in German during his three years at Hamilton." Phil Hooper received the Edward Huntington Memorial Mathematical Scholarship.

Receives Dale Award

Hal Bruck was the recipient of the Capt. Gerald Fitzgerald Dale Senior Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to a senior who has completed his junior year "with distinction in literature, language, music, science or social science."

In addition, he must have demonstrated his promise for useful citizenship by his "character, his standing among his fellows and his contribution to the extracurricular life of the College."

Benjie Stevens was awarded the Dr. Edward Fitch Prize Scholarship in Latin and Ethan Mellen, Jr. received the Frank Humphrey Ristine Scholarship for "excellence in English, general academic standing and campus citizenship."

The Harlan F. Woodfork Scholarship, sponsored by the Student Christian Association, was presented to Bob Taylor and Bob Kliphon. Roger Prokop received the Nelson Clark Dale, Jr., Prize in Music "for contributing most to the musical life of the College."

History, Greek Prizes

Bob Paganelli was awarded the Darling Prize in American History; Steve Hoffman, the Charles a Hawley Prize in Greek; and Joe Leard, the Winslow Prize in Greek.

The McKinney Prize Debate awards were won by Gary Tischler, first, and Pete O'Hara, second.

The awards for the McKinney Prize Speaking Contest were presented to juniors, Art Melius, first, and John

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Alumni Request College Maintain Alumni Secretary

The Alumni Council elected officers and approved committee reports at their spring meeting Saturday.

A special committee of the Council headed by George A. Marks, '24, of Winchester, Mass., recommended that the Board of Trustees establish an office of alumni affairs. A salaried alumni secretary would maintain alumni record, organize class reunions and plan Homecoming weekends.

The committee, headed by John the Alumni Fund and the Alumni Review, the committee said.

The Council voted to recommend the proposal to the Board of Trustees.

Hugh R. Jones, '35, was elected chairman of the 1958 Alumni Fund. Jones, a resident of Utica, was vice-president of the Fund this year when it was directed by Richard W. Couper, '44.

Leslie Moore, a member of the class of 1924 and now executive editor of the Worcester, Mass. Evening Telegram, was elected chairman of the Council for next year. He succeeds Lloyd V. Almirall.

Sherwood C. Chatfield, '29, is the new vice-chairman of the Council.

Senate Discusses, Amends, Passes Vandalism Rule, 12-4

by SKIP ANDREWS

The Student Senate Monday night passed by a 12-4 vote a revised version of Don Spector's motion to stop vandalism. The Senate approved an amendment presented by Dud Hawkes requiring the Senate to deal with all cases of vandalism "only when the fraternities or individuals concerned bring the cases to the Senate."

The Senate also amended the punishment clause to read "when the Senate finds a person guilty, it will recommend to the faculty to take whatever action the administration feels necessary." Joel Ingegnon proposed the amendment.

Discussion on Spector's motion began when Rick Hatch asked Spector to redefine vandalism. Hatch said that stealing was not implied in vandalism according to Spector's previous definition.

Redefines Vandalism

Spector replied that last week he had made a "spur of the moment" definition and he redefined vandilism as "willfull destruction of property or stealing."

Hal Bruck suggested that before the cases are brought to the Senate fraternities have a chance to review the cases themselves. He added that the accusers should have to speak to the accused before the cases are brought to the Senate.

Putting his suggestion in the form of an amendment, Bruck referred to "some old IFC rules" and said the fraternities' rights would be impaired unless Spector's motion included such a clause.

He added that the motion would violate the wishes of the former IFC if the Senate did not require that the individuals and fraternities concerned discuss vandalism problems prior to appealing to the Senate.

Senate Not Democratic

Jack Caldwell objected to both Hawkes and Bruck's amendments, saying that the Senate is "not a democratic body," and that if the Senate permitted stiff penalties, it would be acting out of its jurisdiction.

Caldwell's statement initiated a discussion on a question raised last week of whether or not the Senate has judicial powers. During the discussion Hawks said "the Senate is a court of inquiry" and should "make recommendations to the Dean or faculty" but should have no power to expell or suspend students.

Paul Goetz said that the "Student Senate does not have the authority "to punish students".

Spector said that the IFC had judicial power and the Senate must also have the power. Caldwell said the Senate has "no power to give penalties" arguing that such action is "outside the Senate's realm."

The discussion was cut short when President Art Melius advised that the discussion be centered around Bruck's amendment. Hatch suggested that while considering Spector's motion, the Senate members talk about individuals rather than fraternities.

Dick Alofs asked whether vandals from other colleges could be affected by the proposed vandalism program. Spector replied that the program was designed for the punishment of Ham-

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Senate Approves New Admissions Committee Slate

The Student Senate approved next year's members of the Student Admissions Committee at the Senate's Monday meeting.

They are Barclay Ward, Ken Burke, John Allen, Ted Smith and Ralph Roberts. Chairman Hack Rhett said he and Dave Sykes were the committee's only returning members.

Rhett also explained the reasons for the distribution of over 200 questionnaires to Hamilton students by the SAC. He said the questionnaires request the students to visit their high schools in June to obtain names of next year's high school seniors who might be interested in Hamilton.

The Hamilton men, he continued, will forward the names to the college and descriptive material will be sent to the prospective sub-freshmen.

Rhett said that any student who wishes to contact his home high school and who has not received a questionnaire may obtain copies from him at Sigma Phi.

Choir Announces Officer Selections For Coming Year

Prof. John L. Baldwin announced the appointment of Al Lord as next year's Choir manager at a Choir party last night at the Mannerchor Hall in Utica.

Jim Holmlund was appointed concert manager; Dick Storm, publicity director; Tim Scholl, assistant publicity director; and Bruce Geer, librarian.

Dennis Howie will act as assistant librarian. Bill Lutton was placed in charge of Choir robes, to be assisted by Dick Ochs. Bill Smith was appointed to the newly formed office of Choir historian.

Baldwin also announced the formation of a committee to handle distribution and sales of the new Choir record which will be released in the fall.

Thec ommittee, headed by John Glezen, includes Jim Healy, Jeremy Walsh, Bill Madden and Bill Murray.

ELS Re-elects

Art Melius was re-elected president of the Emerson Literary Society on Tuesday evening. Also elected were: Ron French, vice-president, George Manitsas, recording secretary; Dan Gottovi, Student Senate alternate; and Ken Burke, house philosopher.

Rizzo Declines Charlatans Office; Tennant Director

Frank Rizzo declined his election as assistant director of the Charlatans late last night. Rizzo also declined his election to Alpha Psi Omega, honorary dramatic fraternity.

Bill Tennant will direct the Charlatans next year. At the dramatic organization's last meeting of the year last night, the Charlatans also elected Frank Rizzo as assistant director, Ted Hand, lighting director; Charles Ring, production manager; Bob Fay, business manager, and Dick Parker, assistant business manager.

Tennant served as business manager of the Charlatans this year. Rizzo, whose one-act play was produced two years ago, appeared in the production of "The Duchess of Malfi" in the fall.

The Charlatans also elected three seniors and three juniors to Alpha Psi Omega, the college honorary dramatic fraternity. New members of the society are Gray Akers, Tom Bleezarde, Al Kempler, Jamie McClintock, Rizzo and Tennant.

The Charlatans will hold another election for the assistant directorship at a future unannounced date.

Spectator Polls Students on Lectures; Miller's Reading of Burns Best-Liked

The Spectator polled the student body at the last Tuesday Chapel assembly to determine the popularity of lectures open to all students.

The questionnaire did not include all the lectures which have been given during the course of the year. Among those left out were the Moron Lecture series, Dr. Neuman's lecture on Strontium 90, the Squires Lecture, the mathematics lecture, the lecture by Santha Rama Rau on Forester, and Prof. George Boaz on philosophy.

Praise Excluded Lectures

Many students, however, made comments which gave an adequate impression of each of the excluded lecture's popularity. Also included in the poll was a check list of types of lectures students would like to attend.

Of the 400 questionnaires distributed, students filled out and returned 316. The first question on the sheet asked the number of lectures the student had attended (14 were listed).

The following figures are approximate percentages of the total number of students who attended from one to 14 lectures. Only three per cent said that they attended eight or more lectures.

Nineteen per cent of the students went to only one lecture, 24 per cent went to two, and 15 per cent went to three. Thirteen per cent went to four lectures, 12 per cent to five, nine per cent to six, and three per cent to seven.

Burns Draws Most

The reading of Robert Burns by Dean Miller again drew the largest audience. It was the best attended lecture last year according to the Spectator poll taken last spring. Approximately 31 per cent of the students who filled out the questionnaire said they attended the Burns reading. It was also considered by most students to be the best lecture listed.

The most unpopular lectures were those given by Douglas Bush on English renaissance poetry and Lewis Gilbert on corporation democracy. Though the attendance for both lectures was high, most students listed them as the lectures they enjoyed least.

The four best attended lectures (not including the Squires Lecture) were Dean Miller's reading of Burns, Gordon MacDonald on volcanology, J. B. Rind on extra sensory perception, and Dimitri Ribicoff on underwater life.

The Chapel Board seminars had the smallest attendance.

Want More Science

A third of the students asked that more lectures on scientific subjects be given. Also in high demand were lectures on literature and sports, with many students commenting that no good sport lectures have been given on the Hill.

Those students who went to the lectures not listed on the questionnaire made enhusiastic comments about them. The Squires Lecture by Prof. Robert Lundin received most of the comments. All those who wrote comments felt it one of the best lectures of the year.

Among the possible lecture subjects were psychology, religion, history, photography, geography, travel, and entertainers and theatre.

SQUARE ONCE BROTHER—

Pentagon Boasts Hardy Past

by BILL HOLLAND

Last Wednesday's Pentagon tapping may have set many readers wondering about the society. We, too, wondered, and using library records and information supplied by College Secretary Wallace B. Johnson, tried to discover the origins and purposes of Pentagon.

The society, we discovered, was founded by Goss Stryker, son of President M. W. Stryker, in 1900. Pentagon's aim then was to "concentrate the efforts of the college."

In its early days Pentagon tapped privately, and many misconceptions about the society grew up . . . misunderstandings which prompted Pentagon to issue a policy statement in 1902:

"The Pentagon is not a political ring which seeks to grasp power in all branches of college life and hold this power by deal-out patronage. Its aim on the contrary is a disinterested one.

"It strives to advance the welfare of the college in every way and to concentrate all efforts which seek to further the best interests of the college.

"It does not try to dictate. In fact it has no power to do so. Its sole power lies in the personality and influence of its individual members, who are chosen on the basis of influence, popularity, and through manliness. Its members do not seek to thrust forward their measures to secure their adoption.

"If their measures are partisan and unfair they can not hope for success for them, for what are five men in a body of two hundred, if they are partisan schemers?

"But if they are disinterested men seeking the welfare and advancement of the college they must gain power and influence. . .

"Pentagon is composed of such men, namely, men who have the welfare of the college at heart and who are willing to sacrifice selfish ends for this welfare."

During the years before World War I Pentagon had a brother organization known as Square. The Square was composed of four seniors whose aim was to conserve harmony in the college and to further the interests of good fellowship.

The United States' entry into World War I depleted the class of 1919 to 25 men, and the nine men necessary to fill the ranks of Pentagon and Square could not be found. Square sacrificed itself for Pentagon in 1919 and was never recontinued.

The Pentagon went through similar lean years during World War II where there were only 32 civilian students in the college. All of the civilians slept and ate in the Psi U house, and Pentagon ceased tapping for the duration.

Returning veterans who had been members of Pentagon revived the society, and it has continued uninterrupted since.

The custom of Pentagon meeting in the Kirkland Cottage is about 30 years old. We cannot be sure of the exact date since the secretary of Pentagon was an ELS man in 1927 and he lost all of the records of Pentagon in the fire which leveled Emerson Hall in that year.

According to Wallace B. Johnson alumni who were members of Pentagon include Philip Jessup, former United States ambassador, and Walter Peck, late king of the bowery.

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Vandals Beware!

The powerful Student Senate may now recommend to the administration that you be punished in some way for some crime of vandalism which only you and "the individuals involved" or your fraternities might report to the Senate.

Yet, all vandals need have little fear. Let us say that Joe College drops fire extinguishers down the stair well in South one evening. Under the new Senate plan, Joe College is in dire danger of being turned in by himself or his fraternity or someone else dropping the extinguishers. If you are not totally hated by your fraternity or by yourself, you are in little danger.

Let us assume, however, that Joe College has a pang of conscience. Instead of seeing the Dean, he marches bravely to the Senate to face the music. The Senate finds him guilty (what else can they do?) and . . . sends him to the Dean, saying, "Punish this boy." The administration, having long ago discovered Joe, thanks the Senate and does what it planned to do.

Though this situation may sound humorous, for we have tried to make it sound that way, it is pathetically humorous. Here is a new organization with the hopes of both students and administration behind it, scurrying into a corner at the slightest suggestion of assuming power. As a letter in this week's paper says, ". . . the decision made is worthy of the IFC." When Don Spector's proposal was first suggested, the administration did not deny the Senate's right to discover and judge such cases. If there was any real question of the right to such power, why didn't the Senate ask the administration instead of running for cover?

We cannot see how Joe College will hold on to his fire extinguishers one minute longer, fearing a Student Senate might tell the Dean to punish him if Joe ran right over and told the Senate of his actions. We can see how this case, and many like it would be avoided if our new student government would live up to the hopes of the student body and administration and accept the responsibility which it deserves and must take on.

Senior Examines Students' Knowledge, Attitudes about College Honor System

Hurd Baruch polled members of the student body this week about the Honor Court. The results of the poll are given below, along with some comments written by Baruch.

by HURD BARUCH

1. Do you feel that the present honor system effectively discourages fraud? Yes 340. No 127. Blank 7.

2. Would you report a close friend for fraud? Yes 183. No 239. Blank or qualified 34. Second offense 18.

3. Would you report a student who was not a close friend for fraud? Yes 309. No 122. Blank or qualified 30. Second offense 13.

4. Check which rights you believe you have under the present honor system:

344 Right to a public trial. Blank 130.

200 Right to appeal the honor court's verdict. Blank 274.

264 Right to face your accuser. Blank 210.

172 Right to counsel. Blank 302.

5. Do you feel that the penalties now specified for fraud are too severe? Yes 122. No. 350.

The fourth question was designed to reveal the students' knowledge of how the Honor Court works. The right to a public trial and the right to face man's accuser are guaranteed by the Honor System Constitution.

A verdict of guilty is automatically reviewed by the faculty, so one really has the "right of appeal." While the right to counsel is not mentioned in the Constitution, it does exist in practice.

Questions one, two, three, and five were designed ot reveal the students' attitudes toward the Honor System and to measure its actual effectiveness. Question two is, of course, the key question on the poll; it indicates how effective the Honor System is.

Well over half the respondents said they would not report a close friend for fraud. That three-fourths of the students should say that the Honor System is effective only shows up the difference between the ideal and reality.

The main conclusion to be drawn from the answers to questions one, two, three and five is that Hamilton students like the Honor System and wish to believe that it works, while they are not actually willing to support it.

At least 20 per cent of the students are simply not willing to take the responsibiliy of turning anyone in; at least another third of the school would (or has?) ignored fraud committed by a friend.

Perhaps the lack of compliance with the Honor System is due to a feeling that the penalties are too severe. While 122 of the respondents said that the penalties were too harsh, this is a far lower figure than the 239 who would not turn a cloes friend in. The consensus seems to indicate that the penalties are fair.

A more probable reason for the general failure to live up to the ideals of the Honor System is that honor is becoming passe. As one student wrote in: "What is wrong with cheating?"

Judging from the amount of cheating that actually occurs at Hamilton, we would say that this question should be treated seriously by the administration and the Honor Court.

It looks like too many students come here from schools where such a question is either not raised or not answered. Until honor is no longer regarded as a virtue in our society it would seem to be the duty of the educational system, including the colleges, to instill a person with a sense of honor.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR—

Student Discusses Criticism

To the Editor:

Since the Spectator reviews are invariably published too late to influence the public, it has long seemed to me that they must be written with the aim of providing intelligent criticism for the benefit of future editors.

Since I am to be on the editorial board of the Royal Gaboon next year, I naturally hoped that the Spectator would provide constructive criticism. As it is, I find very little of value in the Spectator's coverage of the Gaboon.

The review by Dick Storm was disappointing because of a rather narrow outlook. First there is Mr. Storm's insistence on originality. He says, "First and most important, it is seldom original, and when it is not, no credit is given to the source of the article." This is a grossly unfair charge.

Even according to Mr. Storm's original conception of originality, less than forty percent of the magazine is not original. Only half of these, or twenty percent of the magazine, were uncredited.

We did not have any idea that anyone would think that all of the short articles were intended to be original. Standard practice in college humor magazines these days is not to credit short pieces, especially since the originator can not often be identified. Only the very naive should be surprised at this.

The Gettysburg Address, which Storm charged appeared last year in the Yale Record, was not lifted from that magazine. Indeed, no one on the Gaboon staff has seen it there.

It is a Gaboon tradition to publish this "theme" from time to time; it or the Declaration of Independence appears in Royal Gaboons for 1924, 1927, 1930, 1931, 1933, and 1935. We never dreamed that it would be taken for an original idea.

For the comments, however, we do claim originality. Most of them were "lifted" from freshman themes marked by Hamilton College professors.

"How to take Notes," which Storm says has been in several anthologies, was adapted to fit Hamilton. This feature also appears in the most recent issue of Colgate's Banter; there, too, it is uncredied.

Even more than the review, the supposedly factual account of a faculty poll was especially disappointing.

Because of an "unfortunate format," the quotes from the faculty look like they come from five different people, a fact which misled among others a usually perceptive English professor.

This, and the fact that the predominant impression the article creates is that the author is unfavorably disposed toward the magazine, led one faculty member to say that it belongs on the editorial page.

That the results of the poll, which are of the most vital concern to the editors of the Gaboon, are not brought out in the article, but are replaced by biting comments, is my biggest complaint.

The author of this article seems to be more interested in entertaining than more helpful to the people involved.

I hope that future coverage will be reporting.

Allen Mellen

Gabooner Pans, Lauds Review

To the Editor:

When it was announced that a review would be made of the Hamilton humor magazine, the Royal Gaboon, we were apprehensive of the problems involved in finding a first rate critic in so small a college

Supporters of the project, however, argued that although most good criticism seems to originate in papers of a more intellectual nature than The Spectator, there was no reason we could not expect a good criticism.

CONFIRMS FEARS

The publication of a first Gaboon review since 1949, although a fine experiment, seems to have confirmed our fears. It seems to this Gabooner that a criticism of this sort must be perceptive and scrupulously so.

Obviously, there can be minor exceptions to this rule, but criticism must be as intellectually honest as more creative literature, if it is to demand any consideration.

In the same way, critical writing must be carefully and competently drafted—in some senses even more carefully written than literature, since criticism must be registered in sharp, accurate jabs with no second trys.

Perceptive humor often consists in reversing and ridiculing established practice to expose incongruous flaws—certainly a rich field. . .

(Name Submitted)

Member Raps Senate Action

To the Editor:

The action taken by the Student Senate Monday night seems to me to be a start in the wrong direction.

Last week, Don Spector submitted a motion that would have given the Senate power to punish individuals found guilty by trial of an act of vandalism. Several Senate members objected to the stiffness of the penalties involved (possible suspension from College for an indeterminate length of time for the second offense).

Monday night the Senate passed the motion, but with an amendment that relieves the Senate of all power of punishment and permits it only to recommend to the Administration that it take "whatever action it feels necessary." Thus matters are in reality no different than they were before the Student Senate ever entered the picture.

A strong rule was desired by the Administration, which has repeatedly claimed that the students should have more power of government over themselves.

One Senate member commented that the Senate was not *democratic* enough to be able to "kick a person out of school." This statement troubles me, for if the Senate is not a democratic organization, all of whose members are elected democratically, what College organization *is*?

The problem the Senate now faces is basically one which the IFC would have faced, and the decision made is worthy of the IFC. Supposedly the Senate was to be a stronger organization than the IFC or Student Council, but it has backed away from its responsibilities in this matter.

Sincerely,
Bob Miller

Awards . . .

Stanton, second; sophomores, Phil Mead, first, and Fred Goodrich, second; and freshmen, Preston Zucker, first, and Dick Blinkoff, second.

Jeremy Birch was awarded the Francis W. Gilbert Prize "as the sophomore who has shown the greatest scholastic improvement in the second semester of his freshman year."

Wins Merrill Prize

Carl Hansen, as "the senior who, in character and influence, has best typified the highest ideals of the College," received the James Soper Merrill Prize, a gold wristwatch.

The Putnam Prize in American History was awarded to Bill Braunlich and Joby Burns; the Rogers Prize in Geology to Phil Abell; the Southworth Prize in Physics to Jay Eveleth; and the Tompkins Prizes in Mathematics to Ethen Mellen, Jr., first, and Eric Hasseltine, second.

Dave Eaker was the recipient of both the Underwood Prize in Chemistry and the Norton Foundation Prize for the encouragement of research in chemistry. The Phi Beta Kappa award of Hamilton's Epsilon Chapter was given to Paul Abell and Hank Nadig.

Doug Alexander received the Winchell Prize in Greek; Bill Smith, the Winslow Prize in Latin; Bob Fay, the Winslow Prize in Romance Languages; and Reynold Riemer, the Wyld Prize in German.

Journalism, Lincoln Essays

The Cobb Essay Prize was awarded to Duncan Cutter for submitting the best essay on journalism. Pasquale Alito won the Cunningham Essay Prize for "the best esay on some phase of Abraham Lincoln's life."

Britton Harwood received the Kellogg Essay Prize for excellence in English composition. "For the best senior essay upon a theme relating to Alexander Hamilton," Bill MacFarland won the Head Essay Prize. Tom Lucik won the Kirkland Essay Prize for the best essay upon a theme in Biblical science.

Carl Hansen received the Gelas Memorial Prize.

HERE AND THERE

by DAVE McMILLAN

Last week's Spectator contained this literary monstrosity:

"The freshman speeches were memorizede xceprts from modern drfama. Zucker'ss peechw as from. . ."

We don't know whether this was "indiscretion" but it certainly wâ sno tgoo djournalism.

The Spectator also contained an interesting ad a few weeks ago. Soliciting college seniors, an IBM advertisement contained this statement, "IBM's president has stated this policy, '. . . I want this company to be known as the one which has the greatest respect for the individual.'" A strange combination—the individual and key-punch cards.

Amherst students have been trying desperately to prove the Chicago Tribune vastly overrated their college. In protesting compulsory chapel they have pulled some pretty stupid moves. The most ridiculous occurred when a group marched to the site of the new religion building. College authorities stood about quietly while the boys filled a hole they thought was intended for the foundation. Seems it was only a test hole and the Amherst gentlemen saved the contractors just that much effort.

One-hundred and nineteen Bib Thought students recently turned in themes on "God." The results showed a large majority expressed belief in a "Theistic" God. Agnostics and atheists were in a small, though vociferous, minority.

It is our theory that small college campuses encourage the growth of the smallest molehills into the largest mountains. Aside from the chapel crisis at Amherst, this week Haverford is worrying over money received from the defense department for a conference held on the campus. Question is whether it is moral for a Quaker school to use such money. Middlebury is pondering the massive question of whether it is better to have the student handbook read, "Women are allowed to receive phone calls until 11:00," or "Women are not allowed to receive telephone calls after 11:00." Meanwhile Hamitoln argues over the parking problem.

Anyone interested in attending the sixth World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace and Friendship can have all the material we have received in the past weeks. Among the attractions is a "get-together . . . at the club on August 4." That's in Moscow, by the way.

Henry Steele Commager, Amherst professor of American History and Haverford commencement speaker, is the victim of a violent attack by the Westchester American Legion for his alleged Communist leanings. Meanwhile, a speaker at Oberlin has said that he feels the college receives a bad name from the presence of the Eugene V. Debs Club, Oberlin pacifists and left discussion group.

Another possible subversive group has caused the Mount Holyoke administration to issue a grim warning for the girls to be careful when sun bathing. The campus has been surveyed often in recent weeks by low-flying helicopters.

A Wellesley professor has warned that today's quality of the sexes is, "lopping off part of the life" of the two naturally asymmetrical sexes. Yes . . . that is a danger.

We are in the midst of traditional and sentimental ceremonies in colleges throughout the country. The campuses are echoing with heartfelt songs such as the following from Albany State,

"Strong old elms will shield no more
Open roads will stretch before,
Courage we shall gain from thee,
N - - Y - - S - - T - - C.

A college committee at Williams made a perceptive report on discrimination in Williams fraternities which is probably a fair view of the situation throughout the East. The committee recommends the abolition of all "unwritten agreements" and clauses whereby chapters may blackball freshmen. Their conclusions seem reasonable here at Hamilton. Hamilton's position that the college should not force the end of discrimination seems to us simply an avoidance of its responsibility.

Our closing wish is that we might all experience the wonders of writing, especially on finals, which Robert Frost has described as "feeling it going just right, without you having to push it. . . It's like drink. . . Once you've had a taste of felicity and facility in writing, you're in fo rit."

Laundry Service To Collect Daily

Dick Flanagan announced yesterday that a regular linen exchange will take place next Thursday, May 30. The exchange office will be open from 5 to 5:30 p.m. daily except Sunday from Friday, May 31, through Wednesday, June 5.

The office in the basement of Root Hall will be open from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 6. On Sunday, June 9, it will be open from 9:30 to 10 a.m.

Students will be billed at home for missing items not accounted for at the final exchange.

Prof. Woodworth Evaluates Choir

Prof. G. Wallace Woodworth, director of the Harvard University Glee Club and Radcliffe College Glee Club, evaluated Hamilton's Choir today in the Chapel.

Woodworth has received a Rockefeller grant to tour the country and evaluate college choirs and glee clubs of his choice.

Prof. John Baldwin, director of the Choir, said that Woodworth called a few days ago and asked to listen to the Hamilton Choir. Baldwin added that Woodworth had heard of the Choir's performance at the Intercollegiate Music Council last year.

Aesthetes Elect

Dick Storm was elected chairman of the Hamilton Literary Society at a club meeting Monday.

Books Due June 3

Librarian Walter Pilkington announced Wednesday that all books borrowed from the library should be returned on or before Monday June 3.

He also announced that pictures rented from the Library Lending Collection are due back in the Library by June 3.

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TIME OUT

by BOB MILLER

Gene Long reports that his track team had a "very fine season." The team won three of its four meets, losing only to Union, and placed third at the New York State Track and Field Association Championships in Rochester last Saturday.

Five new Hamilton records were set during the season, more than in any other season that Long has coached the team. Pete Eld was the outstanding performer, setting new marks of :24.4 in the 220 low hurdles and :15.6 in the 120 high hurdles. Paul McGiffin broke his own record of 188'6" in the javelin with a toss of 201'3" in the Union meet, in addition to winning the javelin at Rochester for the fourth consecutive year.

Joe Nuccio bettered his own record in the high jump by clearing the bar at 6'"¾. And the mile relay team of Chuck Vincent, Milt Harkrader, Doc Jordon, and Pete Eld set a new mark of 3:32.0.

Long was pleased with the performances of the freshmen on the squad. Jordon, Vincent, and Glenn Hudson were consistent point winners.

Sophomore Bill Poole became the first Hamilton man ever to run the 2-mile under ten minutes last Saturday, covering the distance in 9:56.

This nucleus of veterans, plus captain-elect Hal Bruck, will be needed to offset the loss of men like Eld, McGiffin, Nuccio, Jim White, Steve Harwood and Al Shaler, all of whom are seniors.

Speaking of baseball, Greg Batt's boys have compiled a respectable 4-5 record thus far this season with two games to go. Colgate cancelled its game with the Continentals after it was rained out last Monday.

Eric Hasseltine leads the team in batting with a .333 average. He has been at bat 42 times and has 14 hits, including one home run. His fielding average of .928 makes him the most reliable performer on the squad.

Captain Bruno Colapietro leads the team in stolen bases with five. He also has the best fielding record, having made only one error in 51 chances for a .981 average. He and Hasseltine are tied for the most runs batted in with six apiece.

In the pitching department, Bob Kliphon has been consistenly good all season. The freshman righthander has pitched 46⅔ innings and has given up 25 hits and 18 runs. His record is 2-2.

The team has an overall batting average of .241 and a fielding average of .933. Six double plays point up the fielding ability of the infield.

Tommorow is Union day on the Hill. The Continental nine meets the Dutchmen in a doubleheader, and the golf and tennis teams also meet the Unionmen. These contests will close the season for all the teams.

Golfers Continue Victorious Ways; Wettlaufer Excels

The Hamilton golf team, paced by the play of Captain Ward Wettlaufer, won its second straight match Wednesday, downing Oswego 6½ - 2½ at the Oswego Country Club.

Wettlaufer, low medalist for the day with a 72, won his match 6 and 4 and combined with Bob Mongeau to capture the best ball in their foursome. Mongeau also gained a half-point by tying his opponent in match play.

Pete Hankin and Bill MacFarland, third and fourth men respectively, almost swept the points in their foursome. Hankin won 7 and 6, MacFarland lost 1 up on the 18th, and together they won the best ball.

Kim Levene beat his man 2 and 1, and with Paul Kremer captured the best ball for the other two team points.

Last Saturday one of the best matches of the season took place between Wettlaufer and Warren Simmons of Syracuse University. Last year Wettlaufer won the amateur division of the Tam O'Shanter Tournament in Chicago.

Simmons last year qualified for the National Amateur and just two weeks ago won the Eastern Intercollegiate Golf Championship at Annapolis, Md.

Wettlaufer was unable to enter this tournament because of a previously scheduled match. Wettlaufer, with an impressive low medal score of 64, beat Simmons 4 and 2.

The other individual winners for the Hill team in the decisive 6 - 3 victory over Syracuse were Hankin and MacFarland, who won 5 and 4, and 6 and 5, respectively. The first two Hamilton foursomes of Wettlaufer and Kremer, and Hankin and MacFarland captured their best ball matches.

Tomorrow the Continentals will try for their third consecutive victory as they meet Union here in the last match of the season.

Alpha Delt Wins Intramural Cup

Alpha Delta Phi captured the Intramural Trophy last Wednesday after building up a commanding 26½ point lead in competition throughout the year.

Final standings in the league will not be available until the finals in softball have been played. A three-way tie involving Alpha Delt, Theta Delt and Deke made a playoff necessary in one league.

The playoff eliminated Deke and put Alpha Delt against ELS and Theta Delt in the semifinals last night. The finals are being held tonight.

Last week Alpha Delt also placed first in the intramural track meet with a total of 64 points. Deke was second with 36½ and DU placed third with 25.

DP Elects Goetz

Paul Goetz was selected president of Delta Phi at a meeting on Tuesday May 7. Other officers elected were Britt Harwood, vice-president; Jim Allen, recording secretary; Philip Puschel, corresponding escretary; and Fred Beste, assistant steward.

Blue Nine Beat Rochester, 12-3; Track Team Third in State Meet

The Hill track team finished the 1957 season in good fashion last Saturday as they took third place in the 10th annual New York State Collegiate and Field Association Championships at Rochester.

Union won the championship, and Alfred placed second.

Hamilton took only two firsts at the meet, but individual performances were outstanding, and Coach Gene Long was pleased with the team performance.

Captain Pete Eld won the 120 yd. high hurdles with a time of 15:6, equalling the school record that he set earlier this year. Eld also took a third in the low hurdles.

Paul McGiffin won the javelin for the fourth time in as many years, with a throw of 185' 8¼" made despite an injured right arm.

This was the first time in the history of the confidence that one person won the same event for four years running. McGiffin also placed fourth in the discuss.

Other individual performances that Coach Long considered outstanding were those of Bill Poole in the 2 mile, Hal Bruck in the dashes, Joe Nuccio and John Stevens in the high jump and Doc Jordan in the 440.

Bill Poole ran the 2 mile in 9:56, placing second to Alfred's Frank Finnerty. This is the first time since 1932, when Pritchard set the present school record of 9.32, that a Hamilton student has broken 10 minutes in the two mile. Poole accomplished this feat by kicking the final two laps and almost overcoming the long lead of Finnerty.

John Stevens jumped over six feet for the first time in competition on Saturday as he and Joe Nuccio both cleared 6'½" to tie for second behind Rochester's Quinby, who set a new conference high jump record of 6' 1¾".

Doc Jordon was impressive in the three 440's that he ran throughout the day. In the semi-finals as well as the finals, in which he placed third, Jordan had to start in the eighth lane.

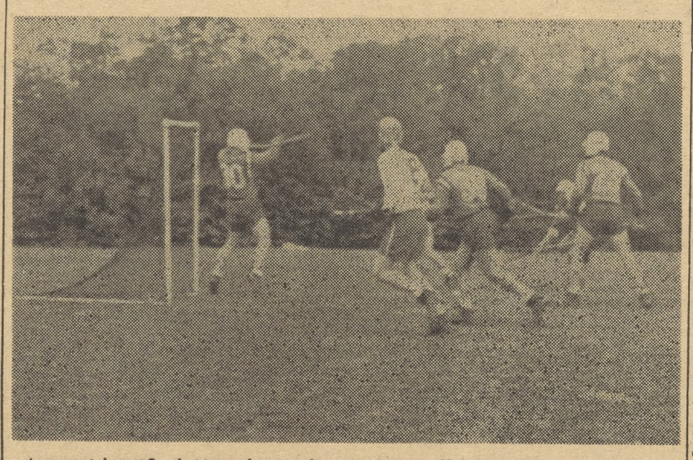
The fact that Jordan, a freshmn, was strong enough to overcome this disadvantage with a third place in the final and still run a good leg in the relay impressed Coach Long.

Hal Bruck, next year's captain, turned in good performances in the sprints as he took a third in the 220, behind Union's Cole and Reynolds, and a second in the 100, again behind Cole.

Five records were broken at the meet by men from five different schools.

In the field events Bouch from Oswego State broke the discus record with a heave of 139' 3½". Ithaca's Carmen cracked the pole vault record by ¾" as he cleared 12'6". In the high jump Rochester's Quimby broke the record by ½", clearing 6' 1¾".

In running events, Union's John Parillo broke the mile record by 8 tenths of a second as he coasted to a 4:24.1 mile. Clark from Alfred cut a tenth of a second off the 220 low hurdle mark as he raced over the hurdles in :24.7.



An unidentified Hamilton player (partially hidden from view) fires one past the Hobart goalies last Saturday for one of Hamilton's six scores. Unfortunately, Hobart scored 18 goals in slaughtering the Continentals.

HOBART RED-HOT—

Lacrosse Team Loses

An eight goal uprising in the second quarter and a six goal onslaught in the closing perion helped a visiting Hobart squad crush the Continental lacrosse team last Saturday, 18 - 6. In one three-minute stretch in the second quarter Hobart scored seven times to completely obliterate a 3 - 2 Hamilton lead.

The Blue jumped off to a quick lead when sophomore Dick Russell scored the first goal of the game after only 17 seconds of play. Two Hobart goals put the Orange ahead at the end of the period, 2 - 1.

Pete Strawbridge's goal at the two minute mark of the second period tied the score 2 - 2, and a goal by Carl Hansen after seven minutes of play had gone by put the Blue ahead 3 - 2. It appeared that the Continental attack was beginning to find range while the defense held the visitors in check.

A minute later began a barrage of Hobart goals which all but sank the Blue victory hopes. Six Hobart players participated in the scoring of seven goals, all in a period of three minutes. When the rain of goals let up, Hobart commanded a 10 - 3 lead. A final goal of the period gave the Statesmen an 11 - 3 lead at halftime.

Hamilton staged a three goal comeback in the third period, while Hobart scored twice more. George Holbrook, Strawbridge and Dave Merkel accounted for the scores.

Six more goals in the fourth period by Hobart cancelled any Hamilton hopes for victory. Bill Kolodney accounted for three of the goals personally, to give him a total of five goals and an assist for the afternoon.

The loss was the third of the season for the Blue stickmen. They have won twice. They will have a chance to even their record when they travel to Cortland tomorrow to take on Cortland State in the season's finale. Two weeks ago the Blue downed Cortland 7 - 6 here.

Missing from last Saturday's game and for the game tomorrow is Earl Rickerson, who suffered a separated shoulder in practice last week.

Playing the final game of their college career tomorrow will be co-captains Carl Hansen and Roger Pisani, midfielders Dan Gregory and Pete Germond, and defensemen Harvey Katz and Sherwin Weinstein.

Score by periods:

HAMILTON	1	2	3	0 — 6
HOBART	2	8	2	6 — 18

GOALS — Hobart: Beedon, 4; Wiltsey, 3; McDermott, 2; Kolodney, 5; Angell, 2; Nuller, Wells. Hamilton: Russell, Strawbridge, 2; Hansen, Holbrook, Merkel.

ASSISTS — Wiltsey, 2; Angell, 2; Beedon; Strobell, 2; McDermott; Dahauski, 2; Kolodney; Cole.

SAVES — Hamilton, 17; Hobart, 20.

CLEARS — Hamilton, 7; Hobart 7.

PENALTIES—Hamilton, 2; Hobart,

The Continentals exploded for 13 hits and 12 runs aaginst three Rochester hurlers last Saturday for a 12 - 3 victory. Six Rochester miscues and six walks aided in the win.

Ben Werner started the game for the second win of the year. Bob Kliphon came on at the beginning of the fifth inning to finish up.

The Continentals scored five runs in the second, added insurance with four more runs in the fourth, and then for good measure added one in the seventh and two in the eighth.

Opens with Single

Porter opened the second with a single to center and moved to third when Olson doubled down the left field line. Melius was safe at first on a grounder to third as the throw cut down Porter at the plate.

Colapietro bunted safely, Olson scoring when the throw home was too late. Werner was safe on an error to fill the bases. Melius and Colapietro both scored on a wild pitch by Diebold, Rochester starter and loser.

Werner scored when Slattery singled, chasing Diebold. Nicolette walked and was forced at second by Hasseltine. Slattery scored on a double steal, but Hasseltine went too far around third on the play on Slattery and couldn't get back in time.

Hasseltine Hits in Two

In the fourth Colapietro walked but was forced at second by Werner. Slattery walked, and Nicolette singled Werner home. Hasseltine singled to right to drive in two more runs. He went to second on an error by the right fielder and later scored on a wild pitch.

The Blue scored one in the seventh when Colapietro singled to center, moved to second on a bunt, went to third on a poor throw by the Rochester catcher, and scored on Slattery's single to left.

In the eighth, Olson and Melius hit successive singles. Olson scored when Colapietro grounded to second, and Kliphon drove in Melius with a single to right.

The Yellowjackets scored three runs in the fourth inning on three singles, an error, and a walk. Milne singled to right to open the inning. Then, with two men down, Gardner walked and Dintroff was safe on an error.

Rochester Scores Three

Spofford singled to drive in Milne and Gardner. The scoring ended when Ashton singled to left to score Dintroff.

In the first inning, a double play from Colapietro to Olson to Finegan got Werner out of the inning after the second man up had singled to right. The Rochester infield also came up with a double play in the sixth.

Werner, the Hamilton starter and winner, worked four full innings, issuing one walk and giving up five hits. He had no strikeouts. Kliphon, in five innings of relief, allowed only three hits and one walk while fanning five.

Loser Terry Diebold gave up four hits. He was relieved with one out in the second by West. West, working two innings, walked three, struck out one, and allowed three hits.

Rice finished up for the Yellowjackets, giving up eight hits in five and two-thirds innings. He walked three and struck out two.

Colgate Game Cancelled

The Hamilton-Colgate game, which was scheduled for Monday, was cancelled because of wet grounds and rain. The Continentals will close out their season tomorrow with a doubleheader against the Dutchmen of Union.

The Hamilton record for the season now stands at four wins and five losses, including a 5 - 3 loss to Union earlier in the season.

ROCHESTER	AB	R	H	HAMILTON	AB	R	H
Wojnowski 2b	5	0	1	Slattery 3b	5	2	2
Milne 1b	4	1	2	Nicolette lf	3	1	1
Burns 3b	4	0	1	Hasseltine cf	5	1	1
Przbycien c	4	0	0	Finegan 1b	4	0	0
Gardner cf	3	1	0	Porter rf	2	0	1
Dintroff rf	4	1	1	Schmitt rf	1	0	0
Spofford lf	4	0	2	Olson ss	5	2	2
Ashton ss	3	0	1	Melius c	4	2	2
aBaker	1	0	0	Colapietro 2b	4	2	2
Diebold p	0	0	0	Werner p	1	1	0
West p	2	0	0	cLambert	1	1	0
Rice p	0	0	0	Kliphon p	3	0	2
bMeyers	1	0	0				
Totals	35	3	8	Totals	38	12	13

aFouled out for Ashton in the 9th.
bGrounded to third for Rice in the 9th.
cSafe on fielders choice for Werner in the 4th.

										R	H	E
Rochester	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	6
Hamilton	0	5	0	4	0	0	1	2	x	12	13	2

Tennis Team Record 6-1 with Road Victories Against Cortland and Ithaca

An 8 - 1 victory over Cortland and a 9 - 0 drubbing of Ithaca on Saturday and Tuesday bettered the Hamilton tennis team record to 6 - 1 in the past week.

Hamilton won all the matches at Cortland except one which John Roberts dropped in three sets. Chris Ravndal, after being forced to 8 - 6 in the first set, won his singles match in two sets.

Craig Henzel's backspin control frustrated his opponent who could neither handle the groundstrokes on the macadam surface nor foresee Henzel's dropshot. The score of the match was 6 - 4, 6 - 2.

Coach Mox Weber said after the match that he was especially pleased with Hamilton's doubles victories. He felt the doubles teams played their best tennis of the year.

Henzel and Ravndal, playing first doubles, dropped the only set of the three doubles matches, 6 - 3. A vital service break was caused by a debateable call of the Cortland team. Hamilton rebounded to win the final set at love.

A total of 12 games of 18 sets were lost by Captain Roberts and his team at Ithaca. Ravndal won his singles at love and teamed with Henzel in doubles to triumph by the same score.

Several Ithaca players were competing in their first varsity tennis.

Line scores:

CORTLAND-HAMILTON

Henzel (H) d. Hasseler (C) 6-4, 6-2; Ravndal (H) d. Grace (C) 8-6, 6-2; Veix (C) d. Roberts (H) 6-8, 6-4, 6-3; Smelzer (H) d. Condon (C) 6-0, 6-2; Dirvin (H) d. Hartley (C) 6-0, 6-2; Lord (H) d. Rapenske (C) 6-3, 6-3.

Henzel-Ravndal d. Hasseler-Grace 6-1, 3-6, 6-0; Smelzer-Kittell d. Veix-Condon 6-3, 6-0; Dirvin-Lord d. Hartley-Rapenske 6-2, 6-2.

ITHACA-HAMILTON

Henzel (H) d. Miller (I) 6-1, 6-0; Ravndal (H) d. French (I) 6-0, 6-0; Roberts (H) d. Kiff (I) 6-0, 6-1; Smelzer (H) d. Rusk (I) 6-1, 6-0; Dirvin (H) d. Tubbs (I) 6-1, 6-1; Lord (H) d. Reither (I) 6-1, 6-0.

Henzel-Ravndal d. Miller-French 6-0, 6-0; Smelzer-Kittell d. Kiff-Tubbs 6-1, 6-2; Roberts-Lord d. Reither-Rusk 6-2, 6-1.

JV Tennis Squad Nets 2-3 Record

The Hamilton JV tennis squad, coached by Senior Bill Harvey, has won two of its five matches so far with one match still to go. The netmen beat Manlius twice, 8 - 1 and 6 - 0.

In their first match of the season, the Blue lost to a powerful Cornell JV squad 0 - 9. They then beat Manlius and lost twice to Colgate.

The Colgate matches were the closest of the season. In both of them the Continentals lost 4 - 5. Hadley Roe, playing in the number one position for Hamilton, faced Art Marovick, the third ranking player in the Junior Division in the East.

Other members of the squad are Jim Butterfield, Pete Phelps, Butch Logan, John Rose, Dick Ochs, Bob Kraunz and Dick Hall.

Squires Elects

At a recent meeting of Squires Club the following officers were elected: Barry Gerson, president; Michael Cahn, vice-president; Donald Savage, treasurer; Bill Bonwitt and Bruce Whitt, secretaries; Jay Pomerantz, social chairman; and Benjamin Stevens, member-at-large.

Moore Chairman

The Student Senate approved the appointment of Baldy Moore as chairman of the Intramural Council for next year. Moore was recommended by Mike Pierce, present council chairman.

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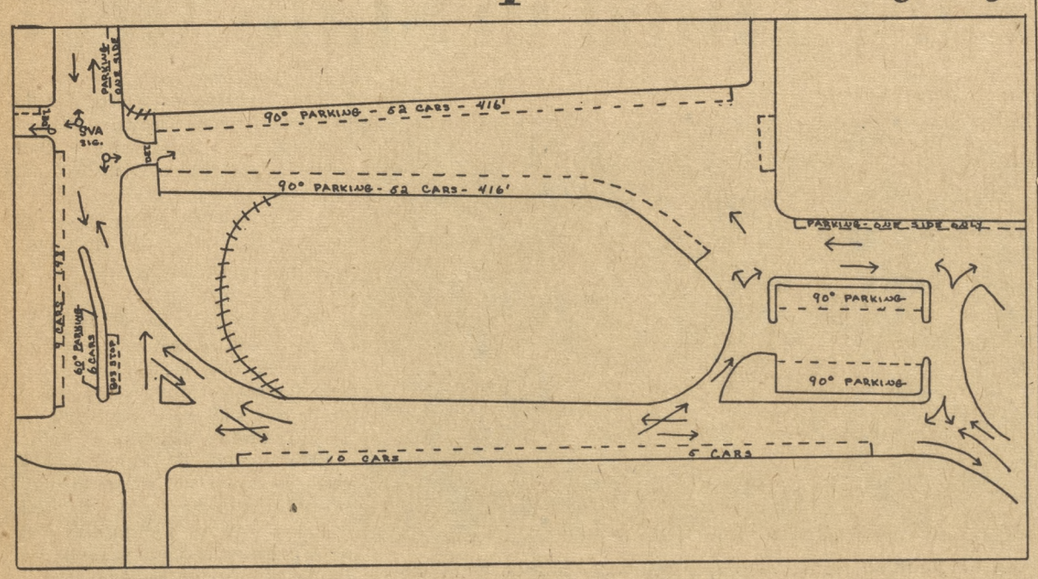

Although students may find Clinton's new traffic plan temporarily confusing, the State-sponsored changes are expected to speed up and make safer the flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

Under the plan Clinton's main shopping area along West Park Row will become a one-way parking area, with the through traffic being routed around the far side of the park.

The College street end of West Park Row, as shown in the accompanying diagram, has been narrowed to channelize traffic.

Students wanting to use the shopping area will have to circle around the park, turning left at the Post Office end of the park.

Parking for Post Office and bank customers is reserved in the blocked-off area on North Park Row.

Parking on West Park Row will be diagonal on both sides of the street, but motorists have been asked to park at an angle and not head on. The street will be marked to indicate proper parking procedure.

The malls that have been constructed will be filled in, probably with dirt and grass and a traffic light will be installed at the West Park Row - College street intersection.

In the diagram the movement of traffic is indicated by the arrows, parking by the dotted lines and traffic signals by the small circles in College street.

Winning Speeches, Essays Illustrate Altered Attitudes

The arrival of Spring, in addition to heralding Charter Day and Commencement, marks the citations for speeches and essays at Hamilton.

As the prizes were awarded this past week, the Spectator leafed back through the Library's collection of prize-winning creations, and noted an indication of the changes in college life in the Soper and Saunders collection.

The William D. Saunders Prize was established by Mrs. Edward Root and the late Alexander Woollcott, LH.D, '09, in memory of William D. Saunders, '25. In reviewing these papers, named the best literary efforts of the year, we noted a reflection of the changing idealogy, scope, and treatment from year to year.

A strong contrast between the late twenties, so reminiscent of F. Scott Fitzgerald, and the abundant poetry of the forties—sentimental, picturesque, realistic and sophisticated—merely accentuates the growing awareness of war, and the problems and responsibilities after college.

Also of interest in this series were the manuscripts sent to the late Edward Root for appraisal. Several of the essays, such as the winner of '33, contain marginal notes and corrections made by Mr. Root.

The Soper Prize, founded in honor of Arthur W. Soper, is given for a paper written by a senior taking a second or third year course in economics, and who writes on a subject assigned by the faculty.

Most of these theses, dating from 1894, discuss taxation problems and wage protection, tending towards either an historical approach or statistical analysis.

Of curious note were two essays on "Recent Taxation Problems in Little Falls," submitted in 1925.

And finally, the ingenuity expressed by Hamilton students is impressive. The majority of papers, to be eligible for the competition, are submitted under a fictitious name, to provide an unbiased appraisal. Among the pseudonyms were such classics as A Day Laborer, Frederick List, Dingle, Anticosmopolist, Aristophanes, and Peter Parley.

Surprisingly enough, out of the entire series, there was only one John Doe.

Show French Film

The Foreign Films Society will present "Justice is Done" tonight and tomorrow evening in the Chemistry Auditorium at 8 p.m. Admission is 60¢.

A French film directed by Andre Cayatte, it features Claude Nollier, Michael Auclair and Valentine Tessier.

Senate . . .

ilton students only.

Ingegno proposed an amendment suggesting that the Senate "recommend some action, no specific action" to the administration for the guilty vandals. He added that the Senate should "leave the punishment up to the discretion of the administration."

Pass Amended Motion

Bruck's amendment was defeated and Ingegno's passed. Then the main motion was passed containing **Hawke's and Ingegno's** new amendments.

Bruck, chairman of the Senate's Scholarship Committee, presented a list of four incoming freshmen whom Sidney Bennett, secretary of admissions, had recommended for the Student Senate Scholarship.

Bruck said he hoped that the Senate would choose a recipient at whom the Senate would "want to point and say this boy holds the Student Senate Scholarship." "Bennett hesitated to make any choice himself," Bruck said.

Each Boy Needy

Bruck assured that each of the boys needs money. He added that each boy had already received a substantial scholarship from other sources but that the Student Senate Scholarship would replace part of one or the other scholarships and that the administration would make up the difference.

Alofs asked what would become of the replaced amount of money. Bruck replied that the administration would award it to someone else.

Alofs also asked why the money was always given to a student who had already received aid rather than to a more needy student. Bruck replied that it was customary to give the scholarship to a top student.

Bruck added that with the Senate Scholarship the boy would probably receive about 100 dollars more than he would if he received money only from the administration.

Suggests Three Choices

He suggested that the Senate choose a first, second, and third choice from three boys who were considered the best "all round boys."

Accordingly, the Senate chose Richard Blessing from Bradford, Pa., first and as first and second alternates Charles Starkweather from Madison, Conn. and Richard Mandia from Marlboro, N. Y.

Bruck added that the usual practice was for each Hamilton student to give one dollar toward the scholarship. Melius suggested that the collection of money for the scholarship be left up to the individual houses and that each house have the money in to Rick Hatch by June 5.

John Driscoll, chairman of the Rushing Committee, outlined the recommended revisions in the rushing rules for next year. He said the old rules were to be printed in the rushing booklet, but the committee would send copies of the revisions to each incoming student and to each fraternity this summer.

To Meet During Rushing

He added that the committee would meet regularly during rushing next fall. He said that the Senate would deal with any violaters reported to the Rushing Committee.

Hack Rhett announced that the staff of the Hamiltonian wished to hire the Fraternal Composite Service again to take the house composite and individual photographs next year.

He added that the firm would give a 25 per cent refund of sales to each house if they failed to deliver on time. Rhett explained that he wanted a positive Senate vote to assure the firm of the job. The Senate approved Rhett's proposal.

Melius presented for Don Seyba, president of the Publications Board, a list of four students from which the Senate was to choose one to represent the Senate on the Board next year.

The Senate chose Phil Hooper, DU representative to the Senate, as its representative to the Board for next year.

Melius also announced that the Senate would set up a regular agenda for next year. He urged Senate members to formulate some "concrete suggestions" during the summer.

Melius closed the meeting by announcing that the first meeting of the Senate for next year would be Sunday, September 15, at 3 p.m. in Root 24. He said at that time the Rushing Committee would meet with the Senate.

Tim Scholl was the only absentee from the meeting.

Syrett Presents New Stereotype Of Hamilton's Life

Dr. Harold C. Syrett, a graduate of Wesleyan in the class of 1935, professor of American history at Columbia University, and editor of the Papers of Alexander Hamilton, delivered the traditional Class and Charter Day address on "Alexander Hamilton — History by Stereotype."

Syrett first noted that earlier historians were affected by fashions or fads. Contrasting this attitude with the present-day intellectual historical methods, he suggested that, in the past, historical figures had been stereotyped by historians who followed the American fad of sympathizing with a lost cause.

Success Means Unpopularity

Americans laud the farmer, Syrett said, — a chronic failure — and view the Populists "as tragic heroes rather than as the inefficient businessmen which they undoubtedly were."

Jefferson was defeated by history, therefore he is popular, Syrett maintained. Hamilton's conception of a factory America has been realized, therefore Hamilton is unpopular.

Hamilton has been described with cutting remarks, while Jefferson has been lauded as a "humanitarian; champion of religion, education, and civil rights; a child of the enlightened." If we were asked to pick the better man on the basis of these stereotypes, he said, it would be "un-American to choose Hamilton."

Jefferson Uses Gossip

Dr. Syrett delved next into the history of the development of the Hamilton stereotype. Jefferson, in his writings based his assertions not on facts but on gossip, described Hamilton as "not only a monarchist but in favor of monarchy based on corruption."

The speaker contended that neither of these descriptions is accurate and called for a new stereotype of Hamilton. He expressed a desire to make Hamilton into a "Jeffersonian Liberal."

Jefferson and Hamilton were both Revolutionists who put their faith in the natural rights of men.

Presenting his own stereotype, Syrett noted that Hamilton advocated minority rights, opposed the attempt to force Roman Catholics to take an oath of allegiance, and secured the passage through the Virginia legislature of an education law which allowed men of all colors and creeds to hold positions as professors.

In a note of humor, Dr. Syrett pointed out that both Jefferson and Hamilton opposed slavery. The only difference in their positions was that Jefferson had a lot of slaves and Hamilton had only a few.

Dr. Syrett turned next to "primary sources" in a further development of his Hamilton streotype. Reading a series of quotations from the writings of Hamilton, he admitted that the quotations were out of context but that he had "never known a quote which was not out of context."

The excepts from Hamilton's papers showed, he said, that Hamilton became more democratic as he grew older. Dr. Syrett ended his address with a plea that historians stop trying to stereotype and pidgeonhole Hamilton. Historical figures must be recognized not only as such but as human beings as well.

"Hamilton was considered a darling by conservatives and a devil by liberals. I think they're both wrong," he concluded.

54 YEARS' EXPERIENCE—

Teacher Receives First Degree

by TOM KUNICHIKA

On June 9, many people in Clinton will be especially interested in the Commencement exercises on the Hill. They will not be overly interested in seeing the famous people to whom the College is awarding honorary degrees; they will not be especially interested in hearing what Attorney General Brownell will have to say.

The people of Clinton will not remember the millionaires, the historians, the museum curates, or any other persons who will receive degrees. They will remember that Miss Bessie Agnes Griffin also received a degree from Hamilton.

The master of humane letters degree will be the first degree Miss Griffin has ever received. Yet without a college degree, Miss Griffin has taught English for 54 years.

English Her Favorite

Miss Griffin has always taught in or near Clinton and has taught almost all the subjects offered in the elementary and junior high schools.

But her favorite subject, the subject she still teaches today, is English. Since 1920 she has taught English in the junior high grades, though she was given a choice of courses, which included mathematics and social studies.

It seemed strange to us that a little woman who began teaching only temporarily has now taught 54 years. In that time she has made herself one of Clinton's most beloved women.

One Room to Many

Miss Griffin started her career in the one-room type of schoolhouse, and

Griffin

for some years she taught at the College Hill School near the gate to the upper quadrangle. From there she moved to the Salt Point School District, and finally to Clinton Central.

We first met Miss Griffin while she was teaching a class of seventh graders in Clinton. When we called, asking for an appointment, she embarrassedly consented to our interviewing her.

The youngsters were writing poetry when we walked in; the classroom was quiet. Finally, poetry done and the slips of paper handed in, the class was ready to tackle the main business in Miss Griffin's class. Of her forte, Miss Griffin says, "I'm a little heavier on grammar than some teachers."

We found out what she meant. Students were hustled to the board to diagram the sentences which had been the assignment for the day.

It was surprising to see the patience with which she taught. She was not the old-fashioned disciplinarian we half-expected. Hers was not a personality we would especially fear, but it was one that commanded respect.

When we finally got to talk with her, we asked he about her teaching career and her views on teaching. One of the things about which she showed great pleasure was that English as a subject is being emphasized again.

'Progressive' Methods

On progressive education she observed, "We have always had progressive education. I did progressive methods 40 years ago." She defines progressive teaching as teaching which moves ahead with the times. She said that no teacher can sit back with old methods and be effective.

"Any good teacher will believe in paying attention to a child," she said. Individual attention, she maintains, was not the discovery and invention of the modern progressive educators.

"You're either a teacher or you're not a teacher," she said. "Many enter [teaching] who are not." And to her, the basic necessity for a teacher is the ability to get the point across and to have a sincere interest in each child.

She admits that this is difficult at times, and that no teacher is always successful. But the successes, she feels, are often more than enough to compensate for the few failures.

When asked how she liked teaching for such a long time, Miss Griffin said, "You may grow old in years, but you can't come into contact with youth and not have a little of it rub off."

Honor Not Personal

About the honorary degree itself, Miss Griffin said she did not consider it so much a personal honor as an honor to those people who are like her. "It's a lift for my profession to give an honor to an ordinary classroom teacher—a lift to my school."

We think that many of her old students are happy because the honor is hers. On the Hill, at least four undergraduates have had her in English class at one time or another. In Clinton, almost everyone who went through the Clinton school system has had her.

And they will probably always remember her. According to the school's principal, "So many of the people who had her as a teacher throughout her career have told me what an excellent teacher she is.

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